BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 14 February 2007 at 6:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Brian Chadwick, Michael Kopko, Catherine Flanagan Stover and Whiting Willauer. Douglas Bennett was absent. Chairman Willauer called the meeting to order at 6:28 PM following a meeting of the Board of Health.

<u>Announcements</u>. Marine Superintendent Dave Fronzuto commended Deputy Marine Officer Dwayne Dougan for his role in a water rescue of Ted Connors on January 15, 2007.

Ms. Stover announced to applause that former Administrative Assistant Linda Bradbourne was sworn in as Assistant Town Clerk on February 12, 2007.

<u>Public Comment.</u> Charity Benz shared an attendance record for herself and other alternate members of the Planning Board. She urged the Board to provide descriptions of responsibilities of the volunteer members of committees. John Wagley shared similar comments.

<u>Approval of Payroll Warrant for Week Ending 11 February 2007.</u> The Board approved the payroll warrant by unanimous consent.

<u>Approval of Pending Contracts for Week Ending 14 February 2007</u>. The Board approved the pending contracts by unanimous consent.

Citizen/Departmental Requests.

1. Resignation: Finance Committee. The Board consented to accept the resignation of Emily Avery whose term ends June 30, 2006 and to send her a letter of thanks for her service.

Town Administrator's Report.

- 1. Review of FY 2008 General Fund Budget Status with Finance Committee and School Committee. Town Administrator Libby Gibson noted that in accordance with the budget timeline, the budget process is about mid-way through its cycle. She emphasized that level funded budget impacts exist and provided an overview summary of the FY 2008 General Budget of projected revenues and expenses with and without proposed budget changes. She reviewed proposed budget change highlights and capital requests as well as tax rate impact and assumptions and then next steps. Finance Director Connie Voges introduced Irene Larivee as the Town's new budget analyst.
- 2. Departmental Overview: Marine and Coastal Resources Department. Marine Superintendent Dave Fronzuto presented information about the department including staffing; funding; goals; recent, current and future departmental projects.
- 3. Presentation of Public Safety Facility Space Needs Feasibility Study. Ms. Gibson advised the Board that due to inclement weather, the consultant was unable to travel to the island. The Board consented to postpone the presentation to March 14, 2007.

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Selectmen's Goals and Initiatives.

1. Planning Director: Master Plan Update. Ms. Gibson advised that this item will be re-scheduled to the meeting of March 14, 2007 due to unavailability of the Planning Director.

Selectmen's Reports/Comment.

- 1. Reports from Selectmen Representatives to Other Committees/Work Groups. Board members provided updates of activity of their respective committees since the last report.
- 2. Action on Town Position Regarding Proposed Wind Farm. The Board reviewed options for stating its position and discussed a 2002 split vote of the Board taken before other location alternatives were put forward. Discussion followed on the reassertion of the island's stakeholder status and the benefit of the Town's inclusion in all proceedings. Mr. Kopko moved to send a letter to the federal Minerals Management Service regarding the Town's stakeholder status, indicating in general terms that the Town is a party. Ms. Stover asked to amend the motion to include a mention of potential island gains. Discussion followed on the proper direction to send that concern and the existing ability of the Town to look for such opportunities. Ms. Stover seconded the original motion. So voted unanimously.

Ms. Gibson reminded the Board of the upcoming deadline for printing its recommendations on the 2007 Annual Town Meeting warrant articles.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Approved the 28th day of February 2007.